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M'ARTHUR ARRIVES WITHIN FIVE MILES OF DAUGAPAN

Two Hundred Rebels Surrender With Ammunition and Large Supplies at Bam Bam

NAVY CAPTURES ANOTEHR CITY

Zamboanga and the Second Island in Importance to Luzon Taken by the Gunboat Castine—Former Spanish Naval Station.

The acquisition of Zamboanga, reported by General Otis, is of great importance from a military point of view. It is the principal city of Mindanao and dominates the entire southern half of that island, which is second in importance only to Luzon.

It has a population of nearly 21,000 people, and is well fortified, so that a small garrison of troops could hold it indefinitely against native attacks.

In addition it is the naval station where the Spaniards used to rendezvous their war ships in the southern archipelago.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Three cable dispatches were received at the war department today from General Otis. The first says:

"MacArthur has advanced within five miles of Daugapan, to which point the railroad is intact from Bam Bam, excepting the Tariae break. A large quantity of rolling stock has been destroyed along the line. The roads are becoming practicable for transportation and the troops are moving from San Jose to Lawton's front.

Leonhauser, with three companies of the Twenty-fifth infantry, by a night march, surprised and captured without casualties the insurgent force at O'Donnell, seven miles from the railroad station of Bam Bam at Capas. One insurgent was killed.

"The captured force consisted of four officers and 280 men, their rifles, 10,000 pounds of ammunition, transportation, four tons of subsistence, official records and considerable clothing were secured."

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ACTIVITY SOUTH OF MANILA.

The Insurgents Make Demonstrations in Cavite Province which are Soon Silenced.

MANILA, Nov. 20.—There has been a revival of insurgent activity south of Manila, particularly in Cavite province. At Imus yesterday the Filipinos fired a smooth bore cannon, but this was soon silenced by the American artillery.

In the course of the morning, Major Cowles with a battalion of the Fourth infantry and two guns scattered the enemy from the districts around Imus and in the direction of Peres Das Mariñas.

The Americans could not pursue the retreating insurgents because their ammunition was exhausted.

The spies report that the insurgents are coming into Cavite province from Calamba, in Laguna province and other southern provinces. The insurgents have smooth bores and two modern cannons. Firing was in progress this afternoon.

BANDIT CAMP CAPTURED.

Captain Byrne Doing Good Work on the Isle of Negros.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The war department has made public the report of Captain Byrne, Sixth infantry, giving an account of the attack and destruction of the bandit village in the island of Negros, last July.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The secretary of war spent over two hours with the president today discussing his annual report, on which report will be based some of the most important sections of the president's message to congress.

It is understood that this section will be held open as long as possible awaiting developments in the Philippines which may change the status of the situation almost any day.

Other sections of the message are nearly completed, but to finish the message before congress meets will call for a large amount of hard work. Owing to this fact, it is probably the president will not be able to go to Nashville to participate in the welcome home of the regiment.

at 1 o'clock, taking the headquarters band and nine companies of the Forty-fourth regiment. A half hour later the Duke of Wfe sailed with the headquarters band and six companies of the Thirty-eighth. The St. Paul sailed at 2 o'clock with six companies of the Thirty-eighth and the city of Puebla at 2:30 o'clock with three companies of the Forty-third. The remaining nine companies of the Forty-third sailed from New York last week on the transport Meade.

HIGHEST PRICE FOR CATTLE.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—Three year old Texas shorthorn cattle sold for \$6.75 at the stockyards today. This is the highest price paid for Texas cattle since 1882. Western range cattle brought \$5.70 today, the highest price since 1884.

WILLIAM HAS REACHED LONDON

HIS RECEPTION OF WINDSOR

The Town Gorgeously Decorated, and Old Glory Floats Side by Side With the English and German Standards.

PORTSMOUTH, England, Nov. 20.—

The German imperial yacht Hohenzollern entered the harbor at 10:35 yesterday, and was welcomed with salutes from the guns of warships and forts. The emperor and empress and their two sons landed at 10:20 and were welcomed by the Duke of Connaught, who wore the uniform of the German Hussar regiment, of which he is an honorary colonel, and by various court dignitaries. Emperor William wore the uniform of a British admiral.

Bunting and German and British flags were displayed everywhere. The imperial party took the train for Windsor at 11:30 amid the shouts of warships, bands and plying national anthems and cheers from crowds.

RECEPTION AT WINDSOR.

WINDSOR, Nov. 20.—The emperor and empress of Germany and their party arrived here at 10:45. They were received by the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Cambridge and the Duke of York, all wearing German uniforms. There was tremendous cheering in the streets as the imperial party drove to the castle, where they were received by Queen Victoria at 2 p. m. The waiting-room and platform at the station were lavishly decorated with flowers.

The town is filled with excursionists and decorated with flags. On the town hall the British and German royal standards and the Stars and Stripes float side by side.

The emperor replying to the mayor's welcome, said:

"I thank you very much for your kind attention. I must tell you that it gives me very great pleasure to be here once more."

FUNSTON READY TO SAIL.

He Says the Sacrifices of Philippine Churches was by the Spanish.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—General Frederick Funston accompanied by his wife, arrived at Oakland late last night. He is on the way to Manila, where he will report for duty to General Otis.

"I do not know anything about the robbing of churches in the Philippines by the American soldiers," declared the general in an interview, "and while it may be true that some of our men were guilty of sacrilegious thievery, I can hardly believe it.

"During the war between the Spaniards and the Filipinos there were a number of the native churches robbed by Spaniards. A great deal of the plunder eventually sold considerable of the stuff to the men our army."

MAJOR PICKETT ILL.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—Major Geo. E. Pickett, paymaster of the army who has been ordered to Manila and was to have sailed today on the Hancock will not be able to go to the Philippines for some time, if at all. He is confined to his bed with acute pneumonia.

CROWDED TROOPS FOR MANILA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—Four government transports sailed today with troops for the Philippines. The Hancock was scheduled to leave

BOERS BEING HEAVILY REINFORCED NEAR LADYSMITH

Joubert is Bending all Energy to Prevent a Juncture of the British Troops.

NO ENGAGEMENT OF IMPORTANCE YET

The English Advance From Durban is Being Made in Three Separate Detachments—The Boers Repulsed at Kuruman.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—A special dispatch from Estcourt, dated Nov. 20, says a report has reached there of a battle at Ladysmith Wednesday, November 15, lasting from daybreak until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Many boers are said to have been killed, and many are reported taken prisoners. The British losses are reported to be much less.

Another battle is said to have occurred Thursday. It is described as the heaviest yet fought. The Boers' dead, it is added, number hundreds, while the British losses were comparatively small.

REPORTED BOER REPULSE.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—5 a. m.—The reports of heavy fighting at Ladysmith last Wednesday have not been confirmed. On the contrary, the most reliable advices from Estcourt indicate that there was nothing more than a desultory cannonade. Probably the rumor of a serious engagement grew out of the fact that the Boers threw a few harmless shells late Thursday night, leading to the supposition that an attack was imminent.

NAVAL REINFORCEMENTS.

Number of Officers and Sailors are at Esquimaux for North Pacific Squadron.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. Special military train arrived this afternoon from Halifax with 105 officers and men for the North Pacific squadron at Esquimaux.

LADY SALISBURY DEAD.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—Lady Salisbury, wife of the premier, who has been in ill health for a long time past, suffering a second stroke of paralysis in July last, is dead.

GAVE HIS PRESENT AWAY.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—The formal deed of conveyance was today placed on file transferring from Admiral Geo. Dewey to Mrs. Mildred Dewey, his wife, the property, which was presented to the admiral by popular subscription.

HUNTING ISSUES FOR THE FIGHT

DEMOCRATS ARE CONFERRING

It Begins to Look Like There Will Be Nothing But the Anti-Trust Agitation for the Next Campaign.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—

At an informal gathering of prominent democrats held here today nothing was said about the meeting of the national committee, but it is the opinion of the most of the national committeemen that a full committee will be called to meet in Washington, February 22, and that the national democratic convention will be held the latter part of May or the first of June.

Jones would say nothing about calling the committee.

Some of the committeemen discussed the probable situation next year. They disclosed the fact that a considerable part of the committee's sitting had

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